



COL. Philip F. Battaglia

Col. Philip F. Battaglia graduated from the United States Military Academy and was commissioned a second lieutenant of Infantry. His military schooling includes the Infantry Basic and Advanced Courses, and the U.S. Army School of the Americas Command and General Staff Course and the Inter-American Defense College.

During his initial assignment, Co. Battaglia served as a platoon leader, assistant operations officer and Battalion Maintenance Officer of 2nd Battalion 30th Infantry (Mechanized) in Schweinfurt, Germany.

Following graduation from the Infantry Officer Advance Course, he served as assistant operations officer in the 504th Parachute Infantry Regiment. Next, he served as company commander of Bravo Company and Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion 504th PIR. While serving as the HHC commander, Col. Battaglia deployed to Panama during Operation Just Cause and to Saudi Arabia/Iraq during Operations Desert Shield/Storm.

In 1991, Col. Battaglia attended NY University and received a Masters Degree in Latin American Studies. From 1992 to 1995, he served as an instructor of Spanish in the Department of Foreign Languages at USMA. In 1995, he was reassigned to Panama, where he served as the aide-de-camp to the Commander-in-Chief, U.S. Southern Command. In Panama, he also served as the operations officer and executive officer of 5th Battalion 87th Infantry (Light).

In 1998, Col. Battaglia served as personnel assignment officer and branch chief for Foreign Area Officers at the U.S. Total Army Personnel Command. From February 2001 to June 2003, COL Battaglia commanded the 1st Battalion 8th Infantry (Mechanized) at Fort Carson, Colorado. While in command, he deployed the Fighting Eagles to Iraq in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom. Following the War College, Col. Battaglia served on the Joint Staff J5, Strategic Plans and Policy Directorate, as the Americas Division Chief.

Col. Phil Battaglia assumed duty as III Corps Deputy Commander (Rear), Fort Hood, Texas on 14 November 2006. Col. Battaglia assumed command of the 4th BCT on June 21, 2007.

His awards and decorations include the Defense Superior Service Medal, Bronze Star Medal (with Oak Leaf Cluster), the Defense Meritorious Service Medal, the Army Meritorious Service Medal (with 4 Oak Leaf clusters), the Joint Service Commendation Medal, the Army Commendation Medal, the Joint Service Achievement Medal, the Army Achievement Medal (with 3 Oak Leaf clusters), the Combat Infantryman Badge with Star (CIB second award), the Expert Infantryman Badge (EIB), the Ranger Tab, and the Master Parachutist Badge with a Bronze Star denoting a combat jump.